WHAT WILL THE ISTANBUL CONVENTION MEAN FOR ALL OF US WHEN IT IS FULLY APPLIED?

Ukraine ratified the Istanbul Convention on 18 July 2022. The Istanbul Convention is all about ending violence against women and girls. By ratifying, Ukraine has agreed to fully address the problem through comprehensive policies and laws. The Istanbul Convention applies in peacetime and during armed conflict.

FOR THE MEDIA
The media supports women’s right to be free from violence.

FOR THE ECONOMY
It is less costly to prevent violence against women than to cope with the consequences.

FOR EDUCATORS
Teachers raise awareness about violence against women to help prevent it.

FOR MIGRANTS, REFUGEES OR ASYLUM-SEEKERS
Women and girls on the move are better protected from violence, including sexual violence and human trafficking. Migrant, refugee and asylum-seeking girls are aware of their rights.

FOR MEN AND BOYS
Men and boys can be part of the solution to prevent all forms of violence against women. Men and boys benefit from gender equality and ending gender stereotypes that harm them, too.

FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS
Women enjoy equal rights to men, both in law and in practice. Victims’ needs and safety come first in policies and laws. The police immediately respond when victims ask for help, and make sure that the victim is safe.

FOR CHILDREN
Children receive age-appropriate support and protection. The rights and needs of the child are always taken into account.